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Besides several roosters and bears there are goats, in squads. Pigs, monkeys, cats, parrots, raccoon, and in one instance a wild bear, are all received with open arms and bragged about to the other ships' crews with considerable exaggeration. One ship had at one time, a small donkey and the marines aboard tried to keep a camel from getting home-sick. Their size was against them, however, and they had to be put ashore with a Navy yard detachment.

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EXECUTOR'S NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary upon the estate of Charles N. Willis, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned, by the Probate Court of Buchanan County, Missouri, bearing date of the 13th day of February, 1920.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance, within six months from date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if said claims be not exhibited within one year from the date of the publication of this notice, they will be forever barred. A true copy. Attest:

DUDLEY L. WILLIS, Executor

Fred M. Wanger, Clerk of Probate

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration upon the estate of Samuel Herschovich, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned, by the Probate Court of Buchanan County, Missouri, bearing date of the 13th day of February, 1920.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance, within six months from date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if said claims be not exhibited within one year from the date of the publication of this notice, they will be forever barred. A true copy. Attest:

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Washington, D. C.—A new light has been thrown on the Ansell-Baker court martial controversy of last spring through words passed on the floor of the House when Representative Kitchin of North Carolina disclosed the fact that former Colonel Ansell is now and has been drawing a salary, or "fee" of from \$20,000 to \$25,000 annually for his services.

This information leaked out when Congressman Kitchin took occasion to ask Chairman Good, Republican, of Iowa, of the House Appropriations Committee, why the investigating committee were asking an appropriation of \$77,000. Chairman Good came forward to reply, but he was choked off by several of the Republican leaders, including "Uncle Joe" Cannon, Representative Nicholas Longworth and others who did not seem to relish answers to these inquiries. A running word duel ensued in which Kitchin ultimately carried his point.

"If the gentleman from Iowa is not too much disturbed by others around him," interjected Congressman Garner of Texas, "I would like to get some idea of the items for which the \$77,000 has been used."

Kitchin Questions Chairman. Congressman Kitchin then suggested that maybe some of the chairman of the various investigating committees, if they were present on the floor, might elucidate some of the unusual items appearing in their expense accounts. After enumerating them, (Mr. Graham of Illinois, of the war expenditures investigating committee; Mr. McKenzie of Illinois; Mr. Frear, the "economist" of the aircraft investigating committee; Mr. Joseph Walsh of Massachusetts of the Shipping Board investigating committee; Mr. Royal Johnson of South Dakota and Mr. Reavis) only one of them responded to his name on the floor.

"There is my friend Mr. Reavis of Nebraska," said Mr. Kitchin after an interruption, "who is one of the automobile investigators. If they knew these items were coming up this afternoon and knew that the gentleman from Texas was going to ask some questions about them and that he was very curious to know how all this money could possibly be spent."

During this colloquy Mr. Walsh answered to his name. Later Mr. Reavis and Mr. McKenzie came in. Meanwhile, Mr. Kitchin read off his "bill of complaint," enumerating some of the figures on which he and Mr. Garner desired information.

"On page 1014," said Mr. Kitchin, reading from a committee report, "is an item, 'G. G. Gabrielson, 14 days and 5 hours, at \$25 a day, \$356.25, expenses \$100.55.' I cannot understand, you know, why his expenses were about \$100 more than his salary, unless he was hired on the expense basis instead of on a salary basis, so that his expenses would be the principal thing and the salary the incident—why his salary should be \$25 a day and his expenses \$35 a day. I know that Mr. Frear could explain that."

Expenses Exceed Salaries. "Here is another little item. My friend, the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. McKenzie) is present, and there is absolutely no doubt that he can explain this. On page 1015 I find G. W. Illig, 25 days at \$15 a day, \$375; expenses \$187."

"Another one, 'W. J. Spier, 25 days, at \$15 a day, \$375; expenses \$185.61.' Here is another one for my friend Frear's subcommittee: 'Salary 18 days, 3 hours at \$25 a day, \$453.25; expenses \$112.67.'"

Here is another one under my friend Graham's subcommittee: 'Services, 4 days, \$200; expenses, \$193.' In some of these cases I would rather be employed on the expense basis than on a salary basis."

Mr. Kitchin then asked Congressman Walsh why it was that the latter's "parlor-car trip" to the Pacific Coast had cost the Government \$4961 while "Mr. Frear, who carried more parties to the Pacific Coast and went into a larger examination, should have had railroad expenses of only \$1401."

Referring to the employment of Colonel Ansell, Congressman Kitchin said: "They have got an attorney not only for the general committee, but for all except a few of the subcommittees."

(No. 14025)
ORDER OF PUBLICATION
In the Circuit Court of Buchanan County, Missouri, to the May Term, A. D. 1920.

State of Missouri, County of Buchanan, ss.
Addie B. Reams Plaintiff
vs.
Charles A. Reams Defendant

Now at this day comes the plaintiff by her attorney, and it appearing to the satisfaction of the Circuit Court that said defendant Charles A. Reams is a non-resident of the State of Missouri, and does not reside therein, it is ordered that said non-resident defendant be notified by publication, as required by law, that said plaintiff has commenced her suit in this court against said defendant by petition and affidavit, the object and general nature of which is to obtain a decree of divorce from the defendant, on the grounds of indignities such as to render her condition in life as the wife of defendant intolerable, in that to-wit: that defendant was indolent, lazy and would not work; that defendant refused to provide plaintiff with the necessities of life such as clothing, grocery, fuel and the paying of the rent; that the defendant would hang around saloons, pool halls and other places of bad repute; that defendant would not assist in the support of the family; that defendant kept company with other women against the wishes and protest of plaintiff; and that on the 25th day of April, 1913, defendant deserted and abandoned plaintiff, and ever since said time has absented himself from his usual place of abode.

That unless the said Charles A. Reams, shall be and appear at the next term of this court to be begun and held at the Court House, in the City of St. Joseph, in Buchanan County, State of Missouri, on the 1st day of May, 1920 or on or before the third day of said term, to answer plaintiff's petition, the same will be taken for confessed as to him and judgment rendered accordingly.

It is further ordered, that a copy of this order be published in the St. Joseph Observer, a newspaper published in the County of Buchanan, for four weeks successively, the last insertion of which to be at least fifteen days before the next May, 1920 term of this Court.

A true copy. Attest:
EMMETT J. CROUSE, Clerk.
By Charles A. Redfearn, Dep. Clerk.
F. H. Miller, Attorney for Plaintiff. (211)

(No. 34915)
ORDER OF PUBLICATION
In the Circuit Court of Buchanan County, Missouri, to the May Term, A. D. 1920.

State of Missouri, County of Buchanan, ss.
John Reppe Plaintiff
vs.
Rex Reppe Defendant

Now at this day comes the plaintiff by her attorney, and it appearing to the satisfaction of the Circuit Court that said defendant Rex Reppe is a non-resident of the State of Missouri, and does not reside therein, and has absented and absented himself from his usual place of abode in this state, it is ordered that said non-resident defendant be notified by publication, as required by law, that said plaintiff has commenced his suit in this court against said defendant by petition and affidavit, the object and general nature of which is to obtain a decree of divorce on the ground of desertion, that defendant has absented himself from plaintiff without a reasonable cause for the space of more than one whole year next before the filing of plaintiff's petition; and that defendant has offered plaintiff such indignities as to render his condition in life intolerable by associating with other men and being guilty of lewd and lascivious behavior.

That unless the said defendant Rex Reppe shall be and appear at the next term of this court, to be begun and held at the Court House, in the City of St. Joseph, in Buchanan County, State of Missouri, on the 1st day of May, 1920 or on or before the third day of said term, to answer plaintiff's petition, the same will be taken for confessed as to her and judgment rendered accordingly.

It is further ordered, that a copy of this order be published in the St. Joseph Observer, a newspaper published in the County of Buchanan, for four weeks successively, the last insertion of which to be at least fifteen days before the next May, 1920 term of this Court.

A true copy. Attest:
EMMETT J. CROUSE, Clerk.
By Stella Whitehead, Deputy Clerk.
Mortie H. Craig, Attorney for Plaintiff. (221)

(No. 37399)
ORDER OF PUBLICATION
In the Circuit Court of Buchanan County, Missouri, to the May Term, A. D. 1920.

State of Missouri, County of Buchanan, ss.
Oma Belle Johnson Plaintiff
vs.
Frank Johnson Defendant

Now at this day comes the plaintiff by her attorney, and it appearing to the satisfaction of the Circuit Court that said defendant Frank Johnson is a non-resident of the State of Missouri, and does not reside therein, it is ordered that said non-resident defendant be notified by publication, as required by law, that said plaintiff has commenced her suit in this court against said defendant by petition and affidavit, the object and general nature of which is to obtain a decree of divorce from defendant on the ground of abandonment and desertion without reasonable cause for the space of more than one whole year next before the filing of this petition.

That unless the said defendant Frank Johnson, shall be and appear at the next term of this court, to be begun and held at the Court House, in the City of St. Joseph, in Buchanan County, State of Missouri, on the 1st day of May, 1920 or on or before the third day of said term, to answer plaintiff's petition, the same will be taken for confessed as to him and judgment rendered accordingly.

It is further ordered, that a copy of this order be published in the St. Joseph Observer, a newspaper published in the County of Buchanan, for four weeks successively, the last insertion of which to be at least fifteen days before the next May, 1920 term of this Court.

A true copy. Attest:
EMMETT J. CROUSE, Clerk.
By Stella Whitehead, Deputy Clerk.
Elliot Spaulding, Attorney for Plaintiff. (214)

They have one man as attorney, Gen. Ansell, employed by Mr. Graham's committee at the rate of \$20,000, or \$25,000 a year. They have another subcommittee of this war investigating committee which has a lawyer at about \$1200 or \$1500 a month.

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